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In re patent application of  
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For: ARMED SUTURE WITH ADHESIVELY  
ATTACHED SURGICAL NEEDLE

Group Art Unit: 3731

Examiner: Melanie R. Tyson

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**RESPONSE TO ADVISORY ACTION**

Sir:

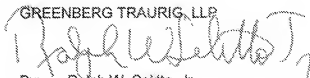
In response to an Advisory Action mailed on November 8, 2007, and further in response to a final Office Action mailed June 27, 2007, the time period for responding to which has been further extended to and including November 27, 2007 by the attached Supplemental Extension Petition, Applicant's attorney respectfully requests the continued examination of the above-identified patent application by submission of the attached Request for Continued Examination Transmittal ("RCE").

With reference to the attached RCE, it is being filed in response to the Examiner's statement in the Advisory Action that the features recited in amended independent Claim 1 of an Amendment filed in response to the aforesaid final Office Action on October 25, 2007 were "not previously presented," and "require further search and/or consideration." In such circumstances, Applicant's attorney respectfully requests the acceptance of the attached RCE and the entry of the Amendment filed on October 25, 2007. A copy of the Amendment filed on October 25, 2007 is attached hereto for the Examiner's convenience.

A fee of \$810 is due in connection with the submission of the RCE. The Commissioner is authorized to charge this \$810 fee to Deposit Account No. 501561. Also enclosed is the aforesaid Supplemental Extension Petition which authorizes payment of the additional extension fees for a two month extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees due and owing in connection with the filing of the RCE and/or the Supplemental Extension Petition, including extension and petition fees, and/or to credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 501561.

Respectfully submitted,

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